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11. Under headline "Uganda must be condemned" the pro-government weekly "The Sunday Mirror" dedicated its June 15 editorial to accusing Uganda of throwing spanners into the peace process in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC). Excerpts:
12. "The United Nations, in particular, and the international community in general, need to move fast in adopting a firmer stance against Kampala and Yoweri Museveni over the continued crisis in the DRC. Evidence available points to the fact that Uganda is deliberately sustaining the perpetuation of rebel-led war in the DRC. . . That Uganda was part of the process that led to the war in DRC in the late 1990s is an indictment enough. Continuing with such perverted activities should be condemned in the strongest terms. What is particularly irking is that the U. S. administration keeps praising Museveni as an African role model, despite the gruesome revelations. The U. N. should also move away from its tendency to just criticize, and take more concrete action."

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